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Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

Despite the fact that our sons and their friends are engaged in the battling the greatest forces of organized evil in all history, in a war in which the decent and god-fearing peoples of this planet are pitted against savagry, such as this world has not known since the stone age, most of us Americans, this writer believes, are not blood thirsty, are not vengeful, are not willing to demand of our enemies an eye for an eye or a tooth for a tooth, or to inflict savage reprisals on our foes.

This attitude of most intelligent Americans is not due to any milk and water war concept, or to lack of principle, or to decadence caused by the enervation of orderly, peaceful living together in a democracy. If Japan elects to fight to the death, with no quarter and no prisoners, perforce we shall have to meet those conditions, we have no choice. But here at home, we who believe in the standards of civilization erected and defended by the blood of our fathers, will not now abandon them.

Regardless of war ferments, we do not believe in racial discriminations and hatreds. In this country which has been peopled by the oppressed of all nations, it would be national suicide to permit majorities to wreak vengeance on the descendants or relatives, whether aliens or citizens of the United States, of those peoples with whom at the moment we are at war.

Let us imagine for a minute that we deliberately loaded onto ships all aliens and citizens of the United States of Japanese blood. There are approximately 120,000 of them. Mind you, that under our laws, 60,000 are just as much citizens as you and I, who, are perhaps descended from that little band of immigrants who came over on the Mayflower in 1620. When we have shipped out all Americans of Japanese ancestry, we would have done that very thing, which Mr. Hitler believes is right. He does not trouble always, of course, to transport the races he dislikes. But usually he ships them some where to starve to death. If that process of elimination be too slow, he sets them to digging their graves and kills them in the cheapest possible manner. But the principle of deportation of American citizens to Japan, is not one whit different from that of the deportation of German Jews to Poland.

Of course, under our constitution citizens of Japanese blood cannot be deported legally. And of course, there are not enough crackpots and fanatics in the United States to muster a majority in three fourths of the states to change the constitution. But all those vociferous advocates of this summary, drastic disposal of the Japanes-Americans are really converts to Hitlerism, and are far more unAmerican than the Japanese-Americans now fighting under the Stars and Stripes in Italy.

But supposing, by some mob violence or legerdemain with the constitution, we did deport all Japanese in this country, to the islands of their ancestors. Just supposing. What next? Well there is a considerable element in this country that, since the war began, has come to hate the Jews, all Jews, good, bad and indifferent. After the Japanese-Americans were gone, would come the cry: To Jerusalem with the Jews! Throw the Arabs out of there to make room. Then there are the Negroes to deal with. Well, back to Africa with them! Those of German blood would be next on the list. Once we open the gates of wrath the jungle law takes over. Lucky, the war will have left us with an enormous tonnage of shipping.

Having given our hatreds full rein without decent restraint for a generation or so, having deported all those we regard as undesirables, including perhaps our prison and institutional population, say, to the island of Madagascar, us "pure" Anglo Saxons could live in peace and plenty, except that in all probability, the Catholics would seek to deport the Protestants or vice versa.

Thus we have reduced, we hope, these race and religious haters to the level of half-witted clowns, where they really belong. Hitler defeated in Germany, could triumph in free democratic America, if enough Americans are completely looney.

RICHARD GOYNE HEADS BOARD

Richard Goyne, manager of the Miners Foundry and Supply Company, has accepted the chairmanship of the Nevada City Ration Board. This fills the vacancy caused by the resignation a week ago of J. K. Osborne of Town Talk.

CURFEW BELL AN HOUR LATER

Chief of Police James Allen stated Friday that at the last meeting of the city council it had been decided to change the curfew bell from nine o'clock to ten o'clock in the evening. The new order took effect Thursday evening. Orders from the chief are that all minors be off the streets at ten o'clock from now on.

POSTMASTER OF 1884-88 CALLED BY GRIM REAPER

Wallace J. Williams of Blue Tent, 86 years of age, passed away this morning at the Nevada County Hospital. He was Nevada City Postmaster from 1884 to 1888.

Williams has been in declining health since last June when he entered the hospital. For many years he made his home in Blue Tent but of latter years he has lived in Nevada City.

He was born in Gold Flat in 1857. One son survives, Eldon Williams of Blue Tent.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of Holmes Funeral Home.

POCOHONTANS TO GIVE RED CROSS AMBULANCES

Ponemah Council, Degree of Pocahontas, will give a card party this evening in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall for the benefit of a fund to provide an ambulance for the armed forces. An invitation to the public has been extended.

Ceanotha Council, at the suggestion of the Great Council, has undertaken to supply an ambulance for the Red Cross. As the first step toward raising funds the council will give a card party in the Women's Improvement Club building on the evening of October 27th. Mrs. Johanna Burtner has been named chairman of arrangements.

Big Committee To Aid W A C Recruiting

With the purpose of assisting in the enlistment of 70,000 Women's Army Corps members, the following committee has been organized in Grass Valley:

Mayor Richard H. Trathen, honorary chairman; Robert Ingram, publicity; Earl Caddy, advertising; Jack Keegan, theatres; Eileen Joyner, prospects; Eli Day, special promotions; Gilbert Tennis, special events; Harry Poole, distribution; Arletta Douglass, women's clubs; and Matt DePauli, service clubs.

Sgt. Norman Skarsten in charge of recruiting, maintains offices in the postoffice building where he will provide information for all prospective enlistees.

ART HOOPER TO SPEAK

The Grass Valley Rotary Club today heard Art Hooper, Grass Valley High School Coach and commandant of the school's cadet corps, discuss the new organization and the objectives of military instruction. Program chairman was Bruce McClard.

FACTUAL SURVEY MADE OF CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—Construction and operation of the great Central Valley Project is so important to the postwar economy of California that it merits public attention now, despite current concentration on wartime problems. This viewpoint is expressed in the foreword to a factual survey of the project, just completed and published by the California State Chamber of Commerce after approval by a special committee drawn from the chamber's board of directors. Members of this committee include Frederick J. Koster, of San Francisco, chairman; Dr. Robert Gordon Sproul of Berkeley; and Charles H. Segerstrom of Sonora.

"One significant point not widely understood," the committee's introductory statement said, "is the interdepence of the various individual units or features of the project and the necessity that their development move forward together as a part of one great unit."

Although Shasta and Friant Dams are nearly finished, the Central Valley Project as a whole is less than half completed. Cost of construction to date has been $139,000,000, and the amount required to complete the project is estimated at $194,000,000 bringing the ultimate cost to $333,000,000. Many complex engineering, legal, financial, economic and policy questions remain to be solved in the completion and operation of the project, according to this research report.

Funds available for construction work for the fiscal year ending July, 1944, amount to $33,326,780. Congressional appropriations for Shasta Dam and power plant for the current fiscal year were $10,900,000; for Keswick Dam andpower plant, $1,474,000; for Friant-Kern Canal, $7,000,000; and for the Madera Canal, $1,000,000.

Present status of various units of the project are summarized in the report as follows: "Such units as the Delta Cross Channel and the Mendota Canal, the Shasta-Antioch Transmission Line, and the proposed Antioch steam electric plant are not being urged, and at present it does not appear probable that they will be given WPB approval for use of materials. The Friant-Kern Canal, and the Contra Costa Canal are being urged for their food producing possibilities. Although the War Food Administration recommended the Friant-Kern Canal, and congress appropriated $7,000,000 for its construction, the War Production Board early in August, again refused to release materials for it. The Contra Costa Canal is still under consideration.

Added power units at Shasta and Keswick Dams may be reconsidered if future developments in the fuel oil situation warrants, but completion of the two 75,000 KW units at Shasta apparently is deemed by the War Production Board to be sufficient to take care of anticipated power demands in Northern California in 1944 and 1945. Completion of Shasta Dam and its two power units is assured. Continuation of concrete work on Keswick Dam has been approved in order to have it ready for installation of electric generators if the need for them becomes apparent. Completion of Friant Dam and the Madera Canal has the WPB approval and supplemental appropriations have been made by congress."

A number of problems concerning completion, operation, financing, and management of the project are as yet unsolved or unsettled, the report states. The immediate problems relate to delay or acceleration of construction on various units in which furtherance of the war effort is the paramount consideration. In order to speed food production for instance, efforts to obtain approval of war agencies and appropriations by congress for accelerated construction of certain irrigation features of the project have been supported by the governor, the California Farm Production Council, the State Water Project Authority, the California State Chamber of Commerce, and other official and civic agencies.

Cecil McArthur of Downieville was a business visitor in Nevada City Tuesday.

NORMAN DAVIES TELLS OF NEED OF BLOOD PLASMA

Norman H. Davis, national chairman of the American Red Cross, in a wireless dispatch to the New York Times today said that Red Cross field directors were already on the job on the Salerno front and more Red Cross personnel would pour in as the situation developed.

The organization intends to carry on the same broad program in the liberated areas that it has used in so many other parts of the world, he said. Davis revealed that big clubmobiles had already been landed in Italy, although he doubted whether they had gone into service.

Davis, who has visited Bizerte, Tunis, Palermo and other cities, and has seen the leading American generals, said that unquestionably the greatest Red Cross need in this theatre was transportation. But there is the prospect of the organization's obtaining transport planes to speed the movements personnel and supplies he said.

"We are hoping to have them," he added, "and the matter is probably past the stage of negotiation. We are waiting to get the planes."

On the home front, Davis said, the need for blood plasma remained great because the army had asked for 4,000,000 pints for the year that began last July 1. He conceded that live blood was better for curative purposes, as was recently pointed out here by army medical officers, but he added that "plasma keeps them alive so you can get them back to a base hospital. In other words, if it weren't for plasma, you couldn't get them back to where you could give them live blood."

He quoted one army source as saying that the use of plasma derived from blood donated by the American public had reduced mortality at the front from 15 to 2 1-2 per cent.

Davis said that the new Palermo "beach club" established by the Red Cross was one of the "most charming places I have ever seen." He plans to visit Oran and then soon start home ward, proud of the work that the Red Cross is doing.

JUDGE LANDIS OF PLACER TO RESIGN JAN. 1

AUBURN, Oct. 18. — Superior Judge J. B. Landis has announced he will submit his resignation as judge of the Placer county superior court to Governor Warren in the near future.

Judge Landis announces the resignation will be made effective January 1, 1944. He expects to devote much of his remaining time in office to clear up all legal matters which are now before his court for action.

Judge Landis was first named to the Placer county bench in 1922 and was reelected each succeeding term by overwhelming majorities. He has been in poor health for several months and it was his health which brought on his decision to retire from active duty.

The appointment of a successor to Judge Landis will be up to Governor Warren. District Attorney Lowell L. Sparks and Attorney J. Lowell of Auburn are both thought to have strong backing for the position should they desire to serve. Others mentioned are K. D. Robinson of Auburn and DeWitt Sparks and L. C. Anderson both of Roseville.

Job's Daughters To Give Sacred Concert

Sponsored by the Martha Circle of the Grass Valley Methodist Church, Job's Daughters will give a sacred concert in the church tomorrow evening. Mrs. James Cornish will present a quarter hour organ recital prior to the vocal numbers.

Participating in the song numbers will be Mrs. Florence Mitchell, Miss Mariam Prisk, Misses June and Constance Crispin, Miss Beatrice J. Bennetts, Miss Grace Jones, Mrs. Hugh Brown, Miss Patricia Pike, Miss Roberta Knight. There will be a number of chorals in which the Job's Daughters will join.

ERNEST CHAPMAN WEARING HONORS EXPECTED HOME

Lieutenant Ernest A. Chapman of the U. S. Army Air Corps, grandson of Dr. C. W. Chapman of this city, has completed his fiftieth mission in Mediterranean area, and is expected home. Lieut. Chapman has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and nine oak leaf clusters. Among other adventures, he was forced to bail out of his fighting plane miles behind the enemy lines in Sicily, and traveling only at night, reached his own lines in less than a week, living on wild berries and green pears in the meantime. When he arrived at his squadron headquarters, he found his personal effects had been packed for shipment home, and himself posted as missing in action.

Young Chapman is a graduate of the Nevada City High School. His father, Lieut. Co. Allen Chapman, is now on the staff of Gen. Arnold, chief of the Army Air Corps.

DEPUTY SHERIFF'S WIFE USES BOTH HER DEER TAGS

Mrs. George DeSoto, wife of Deputy Sheriff DeSoto, has the distinction of being the only huntress of Nevada County to use both her deer tags. Ten days ago she brought down a three pointer from her stand on Peanut Ridge west of Grass Valley. She repeated with a four pointer on next to the last day of the open season. Her husband beat the brush but failed even to get a shot at a buck.

The Snow Tent Rifle Club which maintains a roomy cabin at Snow Tent between North Bloomfield and Graniteville, Nevada County, for the use of its fifteen members during the hunting season, reports six deer in cold storage in Nevada City. Nine others were killed by Grass Valley members and guests of the club.

Del Powell, who has had no luck for several past seasons, this year used both his deer tags, killing one little two pointer and a big fellow with antlers showing four points.

This has been one of the most abundant deer seasons, according to local sportsmen. Deer have been plentiful from the high Sierras to the borders of Camp Beale in western Nevada County. In fact, many Grass Valley Nimrods sallying forth early in the morning with a car or pickup truck, have returned in time for breakfast and their day's business with a buck.

RATION FACTS FOR CONSUMERS

By MRS. H. E. KJORLIE
LOCAL BOARD

SHOES—The first airplane stamp in Book III will become valid for one pair of shoes as of November 1st. Children, industrial workers, and others who would suffer hardship from lack of shoes may be granted special shoe stamps by the local ration board.

COFFEE—Although there are coffee stamps in Ration Book IV, the OPA denied as completely unfounded rumors that coffree rationing is to be resumed.

TIRES—Reduction in tire quotas for October from previous periods is caused by the seriously diminishing supply of tires now available in dealers stocks.

MEAT—Brains, kidneys, tripe, tails, pork neck bones, and pork back bones, have been removed from the list of rationed foods.

MARKET BASKET PRICES—Ceiling prices on practically all foods are posted in all grocery stores. If you are in doubt as to the price consult the list.

LARRY McKELVEY WILL FILED

The will of Larry McKelvey, who passed away in Truckee October 9, was filed Friday for probate in the county clerk's office. The entire estate is left to the widow, Mrs. Sarah McKelvey who petitions for letters of administration. While Gerald R. Johnson, attorney of Sacramento, was named in the will as executor, according to the widow's petition he renounces his right and appears in the proceedings as her attorney. The value of the estate is not mentioned.

NEVADA CITY ELKS CELEBRATE 44TH BIRTHDAY

The 44th anniversary of Nevada City Lodge No. 518, B. P. O. E., was observed Thursday night with 100 Elks and their ladies present.

Exalted Ruler William L. Tamblyn presided and had the pleasure of introducing a number of distinguished members of the order in California. Clifford L. Anglin, state president of the California Elks Association, sat at his right and J. F. Mispley, chairman of the trustees of the State Elks Association sat at his left.

H. E. Chastain, superintendent of Placer Junior College, S. M. Barooshian dean of men in that college; Miss Ruth E. McManus, guest of honor; Miss Elaine Mobley, dean of women of the college, and others from Auburn were present.

In addition to the celebration of the birth of the lodge, the big event of the evening was the presentation to Miss McManus of a $500 scholarship from the California Elks Association. Nevada City Lodge of Elks sponsored the entry of Miss McManus as a contestant for a scholarship given by the California Elks Association in which she was successful.

Messrs. Anglin, Chastain, Barooshian and Miss Mobley made brief remarks, Miss Mobley explaining most entertaingly how Miss McManus happened to be a contestant and sponsored by Nevada City lodge of which her father, the late Judge W. L. Mobley and her uncle P. G. Scadden were charter members.

Mr. Mispley on behalf of the State Elks Association presented to Miss McManus the $300 check for a scholarship in any college of her own choosing, and Miss McManus, a charming young lady, graciously thanked the lodge for sponsoring her as a contestant and the state association for presenting her the scholarship.

She told of her ambitions for a college education and that the generosity of the Elks had made that possible.

During the evening Miss Marian Libbey and her sister, Miss Ruth Libbey, and Billy Tobiassen entertained with musical numbers. Miss Ruth Libbey played the accompaniment for the final number "God Bless America."

Sgt. Vergil Roseborough Dies Of Accidental Injuries

Mr. and Mrs. William Peard yesterday received a message from the War Department stating that their grandson, Sergeant Vergil William Roseborough had died at the Clairborne Station Hospital, Louisiana, as the result of injuries suffered in an accident.

Sgt. Roseborough, graduate of the Nevada City schools, was reared by his grandparents in this city. He enlisted more than two years ago and was 23 years of age last April.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Laverne Roseborough of Sacramento, a two year old son, Richard, his father, Fred Roseborough of Seattle, and his mother Mrs. Mildred N. Barry, of San Leandro.

Funeral services will be held in Holmes Funeral Home later in the week, following arrival of the remains.

Fifteen In Club, Fifteen Fine Bucks

A group of fifteen Nevada City and Grass Valley sportsmen who maintain a roomy cabin at Snow Tent, between North Bloomfield and Granteville, Nevada County, in the high Sierras, report that they have brought down fifteen bucks this season. Not all the bpcks were killed by members, however. Their guests helped run up the score.

William J. Novak, who has hunted industriously and futilly for the past four seasons brought in his buck on next to the last day of the open season. It was shot in the Bloody Run section and was a fat two pointer weighing 120 pounds.

Mrs. Grace Englebright returned the latter part of the week from San Francisco where she had spent a few days.

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JUST WONDERIN'

I wonder, when foes have been vanquished
And the shouting and grim tumult cease,
If we'll build in the light of the future,
A temple of justice and peace;
And how shall we lay its foundations
And establish its permanent walls?
How fashion its welcoming portals
And embellish its radiant halls?

In these days of tense expectancy, when reports from battle areas change with the hour, we know that winning the war is the first and most important task on the schedule of forward moving world events, and that, in order to draw the hour of victory near, concentrated effort is demanded of each and every one of us.

Even so, there are moments when the clouds of battle seem to drift aside and through the mists which veil the future we discern the dream of all the ages, a world at peace. We see the vast temple of peace, its spires gleaming in the dawning light of a better and happier day.

Then it is that we pause to wonder how the nations of the earth can unite to build this temple of brotherhood and peace and establish it as a permanent institution for all the years to be.

The establishment of a just and permanent peace upon this small, war shattered planet will be the greatest and most glorious task of all the ages and to accomplish each must take some contribution, either great or small.

I see the walls of the temple of peace adorned with mosaics composed of gifts of grace and beauty and true worth, gathered from the four quarters of the earth and blended into a rare and harmonious whole; and I see that if your gift or mine is lacking there, the marvelous pattern will remain unfinished, less perfect and beautiful than it should have been, marred in some essential part because we failed to grasp our opportunity of service to the cause of peace on earth. good will to men.

We are constantly being reminded what we can do to bring the day of victory near; and we are constantly asking ourselves and each other, what our part will be in winning the peace which is to follow. What can we do now to lay the foundations for the temple of the ages. Perhaps as individuals not much, but there are a few small contributions which even now may be of more constructive value than we think.

We, you and I could stop a malicious rumor in its tracks, we could refrain from carping criticism, we could put aside our prejudices and learn to think of all men as kinsmen, whose desires, hopes, joys, and sorrows. are even as our own; we could do these seemingly unimportant things and many more which will come readily to the mind and who can determine their ultimate worth?

A great, beautiful mosaic is made up of thousands upon thousands of bits of excellence that would seem as nothing in themselves, so let's be sure to bring our little gifts so that they may shine in the white light which will illumine the shining pattern of a just and lasting peace.—A. Merriam Conner.

TELEPHONE OF THE FUTURE

Another modern miracle—instant telephone communication—may be available to the most isolated household in the country if experiments now being made in the laboratories with radio-telephone hook-ups prove practical.

No poles or wires are required for such hook-ups, which already are in use in some sections of the United States. They are patterned after the "walkie-talkie" used by the army and the two way radio system employed by police.

One flaw in radio-telephone communication which apparently has yet to be overcome is the lack of secrecy in the transmission of messages. John Mills, an executive of the Bell Laboratories, points out:

"There is little secrecy in communications by radio because once you place a message on the air it is bound to spread out. And that is why the radio-telephone does not appear to be ready yet for popular use."

Another problem posed by Mr. Mills is that of the crowded ether. Television, he explains, may require 4,000,000 kilocycles of space to project one sound and image message, while one thousand persons-to-person telephone calls can be accommodated in the same space.

According to the scientists, neither of those problems appear to be insurmountable. To meet the lack of secrecy an apparatus might be developed which would scramble and unscmable messages, similar to that used by the trans-ocean cables. And as for the crowded air lanes, the public itself should have the last word on whether raadio, television or radia-telephones will be given the right of way.

The high cost of erecting poles and stringing wire has reprived thousands of rural households of the use of telephones. Unlike their city brothers, they cannot get phone service merely by ordering it. But with radio-telephone—the telephone of the future—science plans to close one more gap in space, bringing men closer than ever before to their neighbors.

EDUCATION——THE RABBIT METHOD

The belief of many parents that "progressive education" has failed to give children a solid grounding in the three R's, have been strengthened by the testimony of educators before the State Senate Committee investigating modern educational methods.

One witness, Dr. Herman Leader, a faculty member of the Sacramento Junior College, characterized progressive education as the "rabbit method, whereby students nibble at fundamental subjects here and there if they occasionally feel so inclined."

Dr. Leader charged that some students of teachers using the "progressive" system are getting "no grammar, very little writing, and practically no arithmetic" in grade schools, and that many progress to high school "in a mental state comparable to that of a moron."

While these charges are harsh, yet from the testimony of innumerable sound educators it is obvious that many teachers thoughout the state are increasingly dissatisfied with progressive education methods. The substance of their allegations is that the system not only fails to give the children a thorough grounding in the fundamentals but also fails to inclucate in them the mental discipline that goes with the study of the three R's. Instead, it gives children the feeling that all education is play, which impression the students carry with them into the higher grades, and on into life, often to their own misfortunne.

Parents generally agree with the educators who think that progressive education has been tried and found wanting. They feel that a tightening up of the entire school curriculum is in order. Out of the work of the interim committee of the state senate should come valuable recommendations for such revision.

PATRIOTISM—DILUTED WITH PROFITS

She is a California mother, well educated, brilliant mind, representing some of the "best" blood of America.

She has been a critic of the power grabs of labor racketeers, looking upon some of their acts as close to treason in time of war.

But recently two of her daughters came home on their college vacations; got war jobs at wages beyond their dreams; joined the CIO (they had to do so to get war jobs); were told on initiation night "we have just gotten you a $5 raise and we will get you another," and this mother commenting on the situation quipped: "I will be for the CIO until it is time for my daughters to return to college, then I shall be against them again."

Then she launched into criticism of the withholding tax.

"Let him who is without sin cast the first stone."

A great many people have not yet separated patriotism and profits.

Many people have not yet had the terrible telegram from the Adjustant General.

"Regret to inform you—your son—killed in action."

The mother referred to, has no son of military age.

But some one close to her, and to all of us, will eventually receive the telegram.

We have been skirmishing up to now. But our leaders are necessarily counting our "expendables"; are worrying about our summer slow-down in munition production; and are poising to drive through to Berlin and Tokio.

When the shower of Adjustant General telegrams is as the fall of autumn leaves, surely we will not have so much dilution of patriotism with thoughts of profits.

A California group were quizzing T. R. Ferris, a war official of England:

"Don't people object to your rigid government restrictions," someone asked?

"Not since Dunquerque," was his eloquent reply—Pacific Rural Press.

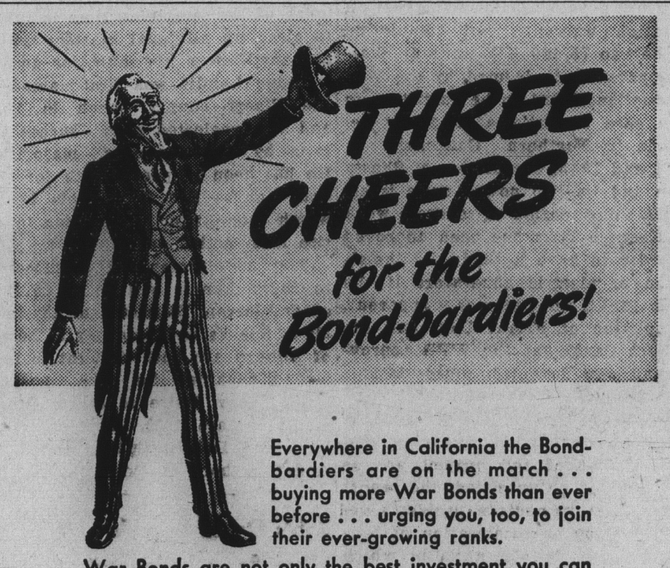
NEW FIGHTING PLANE FOR NAVY

Newer, faster and more maneuverable than its predecessors is the new F6F fighter plane for the Navy.

Developed entirely during World War II, the plane is strictly a war baby from drafting board to battlefront. A returning hero who received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his miraculous record against the Jap Zero was asked what kind of fighter plane we need to beat the Japs. "Something that will go upstairs faster," he told an aircraft executive, whereupon the executive flew to Honolulu and began to talk to naval fighter pilots who had been fighting the Japanese. They all wanted a plane to have more climb and speed than anything already in service.

When he returned, the aircraft manufacturer called in the company's chief engineer and told him the story. The first production model of the F6F came off the line in November 1942, and the first squadron was completed for delivery last December. Today hundreds are in service and hundreds more are coming out of the company's plants to be flown with the United States and British Navies.

While equipment details are still unavailable, it can be said that the F6F is powered with a big Pratt and Whitney engine, which places the ship in the high speed category.



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OLD SPANISH GRANTS

Editor's Note: Old Spanish and Mexican grants were the first stable form of land ownership in California, and thus they are a subject about which Californians should be informed. The San Francisco Regional Service Committee has prepared a series of six articles about these grants, of which this article is the third.

On Rancho San Antonio, granted by Governor de Sola to Don Luis Peralta in 1820, sprang up three great cities, Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley.

Don Luis as a child was a member of the famous Anza Expedition of 1776 which founded San Francisco. He was a soldier in the Spanish Army, took part in a number of expeditions against the Indians, and had charge of the pueblo of San Jose for several years just before the close of the Spanish regime.

San Antonio one of the largest and most important of the grants, extended from San Francisco Bay to the mountains, and from El Cerrito Creek on the north to San Leandro creek on the south. Peralta also received a grant in the San Jose area, which he called Porte de la Rancheria del Chino.

Don Luis built a large adobe home on El Cerrito Creek and stocked the rancho with cattle and sheep. Perhaps he followed the custom of other rancheros of the period, borrowing stock from the missions, keeping the increase and returning the parents or their equivalent.

When he decided to make his home in the San Jose rancho, Don Luis diivided San Antonio between his four sons, two of whom lived in the big adobe while the others built new homes. They had one of the few bullrings in California, where not only the traditional bullfights were held, but also matches between bulls and California grizzlies.

One branch of El Camino Real, from the Presidio of Monterey to the Embarcadero, crossed the rancho. San Antonio also was the terminus of the prehistoric road up the west side of the San Joaquin Valley from San Pedro, El Camino Viejo, used by deserting Spanish soldiers, punitive expeditions agains the Indians, and early settlers of the valley.

After the discovery of gold the Peraltas were harassed by squatters who killed and drove off the cattle and involved the land in litigation. In 1850 the portion on which Alameda now stands sold for $14,000. The sites of Berkeley and Albany brought a little better price—$82,000. Eventually all but the home sites passed from the hands of the Peraltas.

Next: California's Greatest Grantee.

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He is TSgt. Melvin Lewisc of St. Louis, Mo., whose DFC and service ribbons are the result of more than 200 combat hours as a radio gunner in a Liberator "hitting all the islands down under."

Of the 32 combat missions flown by Lewis, two stand out. Of the first, he said, "well, our ship got a citation for the longest single ship reconnaissance flight at that time" (some 2200 nautical miles.)

"As to that hop, I can tell everything except 'who, what, when and where.' We had a little trouble getting back. We were intercepted twice and then ran into bad weather. We were above an overcast with our gas almost gone and I started sending out SOS's.

"We had to come down and the boys figured it was all up because we weren't sure of our position. The pilot nosed the ship over, and, believe it or not, when we came through we were rigght over an emergency landing field. We set her down with just three minutes gas left in the tanks."

The second incident was the battle of the Bismarck Sea. Lewis' plane was one of the reconnaissance ships in the engagement. His laconic summary was. "Some fireworks."

Lewis described day in, day out living on the fighting front. "We slept a lot when we weren't fighting. You're all in when you get back from a mission.

"When we weren't sleeping we sat around camp and played cards, or, if there was a jeep going to town, we went along for the ride. That's about all you could say for the town—it was pretty well bombed out.

"When we first got to our position the Nips used to come over five or six times a week. You get so you take it as a matter of course—but it never gets monotonous!" He added that at the time he left, these multiple Japanese visits had been cut to about one a week due to the proficiency of our fighters.

"A raid reminds you of a football game: The frontline seats are foxholes. Your helmet protects you from falling ack-ack and you can watch 'the game' until the bombs begin to fall.

"When the planes came over we'd all dive into our holes and watch the scrap and yell like hell for our guys. At night, particularly, it's a kick: When the lights criss-cross and catch an enemy plane its like an end run with everybody screaming and hollering for our boys to 'get the dirty so and so!'"

Lewis described the Japs as "show offs". He said, "they like to show what their planes can do. Sometimes they'd come up, just out of range of our guns and stunt. They'd put their planes through every kind of loop and roll imaginable.

"They do other crazy things too. One time there was a scattered attack on our ship and a Zreo diver at us. We couldn't knock him down and we thought sure hed'd get us. But, instead of using his guns, he waited until he was almost on top of us, then thumbed his nose and peeled off!"

"Entertainment was pretty scarce. We had movies three ttimes a week. You can't know what a movie means to a man over there. Here it's just a way to kill time—there, it's an event. We had our shows outdoors in a sort of natural ampitheatre. We built benches on the side of the hill and padded them with stuff from the planes. At first we got old pictures but pust before I left we were getting all the new ones—even before they showed here."

The only other entertainment was provided by "Tojo" via the short wave radio. "They had a program called 'The Zero Hour'. They'd open up with, 'This is the zero hour for all American soldiers, sailors and marines in the New Guinea area.'

"Then the guy we called 'Mr. Tojo' would start in. He had a perfect mid-western accent. He'd say, 'O. K. bos, now let's go into the kitchen and open up the refrigerator. First we'll take out that cold, fried chicken. And don't forget some nice, crisp lettuce and a little ham for a dagwood special."

"He'd rave on about food for awhile and then he'd introduce a Tommy Dorsey recording like this, 'the next number will be Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree. Too bad, fellows, because that's where she's sitting right now—only not with you. No. She's found a good looking defense worker with plenty of foldin' money.'

"The continuity was terrific! Only it didn't serve its purpose. We thought it was funny and we'd laugh our heads off. The Japs just don't understand Americans.

"They'd also shortwave us all the news on raids—how many planes to expect, the type of plane and the time. And they never failed to come over just the way the broadcast described."

At the end of May, Lewis' outfit was officially credited with having shot down more enemy aircraft than any other heavy bombardment group. His own ship was credited with six. He commented, "with all the action we saw, not one of our men got a scratch."

With all the exciting experiences a man on the fighting front has there is no thrill like that of coming home. When our transport crossed the San Francisco bay I just tingled all over. When we landed at Hamilton Field we all piled out and kissed the ground—the major and everybody".

DID YOU EVER EAT MUD HENS?

So you don't think you'd care to dine on mudhens —sometimes called coots?

Well, then, you've never eaten "Coot Bouhya," prepared according to the recipe of Bob Becker, famous sportsman. If Mr. and Mrs. Average American give up some of their foolish taboos, he points out in the current Rotarian magazine, they'll find mudhens, jackrabbits, and other often spurned game will save many ration points.

Here's Becker's recipe for "Coot Bouhya," You start with ten coots.

Wash birds thoroughly; salt for 24 hours; then wash again. Boil slowly in plenty of water; skimming this until surface clears. Add salt and pepper to taste, along with allspice and bay leaves. (Keep adding salt and pepper as you add other ingredients.) After broth clears, add pint of fine cut onions, 3 pints of cut cabbage, pint of fine cut celery. Add quart can of tomatoes, or pint of tomato soup. Add all these items one at a time. Simmer until meat begins to get tender, then add hearts and livers, with pint of diced turnips, pint of diced rutabagas, 2 pints of sliced or diced carrots, and two quarts of potatoes, cut to inch cubes.

Keep adding water as needed. Check seasoning frequently. Stir constantly, as broth burns easily in thickening. Cook until meat starts to fall from bones. (one way to serve is by stripping meat from bones and then serving as thick soup for main dish.)

Getting rid of that extra gamey taste in wild fowl and animals is just a matter of smart cooking. Becker points out. In the case of rabbit he advices that a teaspoonful of vinegar be added to the water in which it is boiled. Another secret is never to boil rabbits too rapidly. Musk rats should be soaked overnight in salt water to draw out the blood and reduce the gamey flavor. As for the common complaint that pheasant meat is too dry, Becker suggests rubbing the bird with olive oil mixed with salt and pepper, or basting with sour cream during the cooking period.

This year hunting is more than a sport, the author asserts, for sportsmen can add to the family larder and help farmers "harvest" wild fowl eating their grain. Last fall, American hunters "cropped" more than 254 million pounds of wild game meat—venison, elk, moose, rabbits, pheasants, and wild fowl. This year game laws are liberal and the War Production Board has made about 82 million shotgun shells and approximately 12 million rifle cartridges available to hunters.

JOSEPH SWAZEY WEDS MISS BETTY LANDSBURG

Miss Betty Landsburg and Joseph Swazey were married Thursday evening by Rev. David Ralston in the ranger station at North Bloomfield, Nevada County.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Landsburg, old time residents of North Bloomfield.

The bridegroom is a fire guard and patrolman for the Tahoe National Forest, recently honorably discharged from the U. S. Army. Under the pen name of Sierra Joe he has written a number of songs.

Following the wedding the couple proceeded to Swazey's station at Pass Creek near Jackson Meadows in Sierra County.

Holiday Dinner For Service Men Planned

The Catholic Mothers Club will staff the canteen of the USO Club, at Neal and Mill Streets, for a week beginning this evening. The following week will be in charge of the Grass Valley High School Parent Teachers Association.

With Thanksgiving but a few weeks away, the USO committee has established a register where those families which desire to entertain men for dinner on Thanksgiving Day or on Christmas may leave their names and addresses, and the number of lads in uniform they wish to invite.

HONOR FOR LATE MRS. PENHALL

A disk marker, seven inches in diameter, will be placed on the grave of the late Mrs. Barker A. Penhall of Grass Valley, by the Secramento Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The grave is in the Masonic Cemetery there.

The inscription on the disk reads: A real grandmother of a Revolutionary Soldier, 1775-1783.

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PULFER—In Grass Valley, Nevada County, October 10, 1943, to Pvt. and Mrs. Gerald Pulfer, a son.

HENDRICKS — In Grass Valley, Nevada County, October 13, 1943, to Sgt. and Mrs. Wilmot Hendricks, a son.

INFORMATION AGAINST EARL WING

District Attorney Ward Sheldon Friday filed an information against Earl Wing, charged with contributing to the delinquency of Mrs. Vera C. Newman, minor wife of Everett M. Newman in the United States Navy. Wing was arraigned this morning in the superior court.



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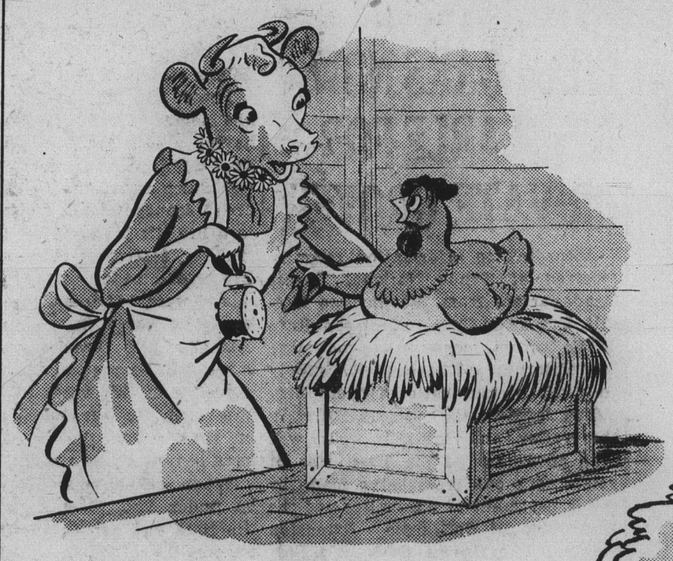
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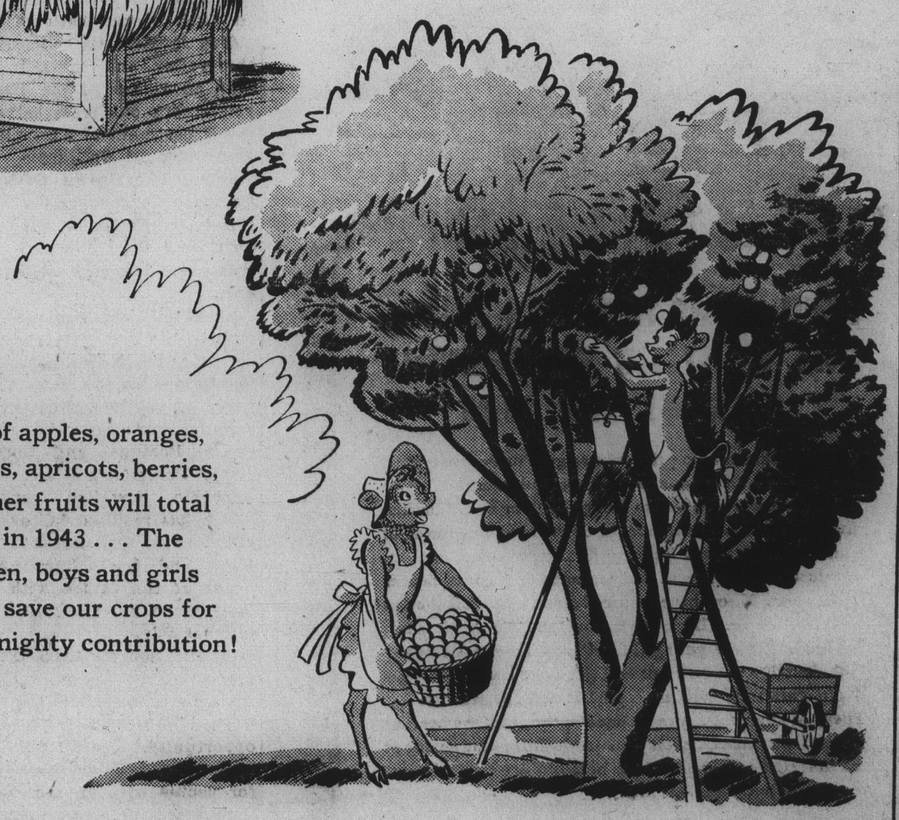
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WITH OUR BOYS IN GLOBAL WAR

Joyal Boys in Service—

In a letter from Mrs. Frank Joyal this week she told of the different places four of her sons were located in the U. S. forces. Bill Joyal, fourth son, has left Texas and is now in a camp near Tallahassee, Florida, taking his course in final combat training. He graduated as second lieutenant on October first. His wife accompanied him by automobile from Houston, Texas to Florida and they had a marvelous trip.

Captain Phil Joyal, instructor in the Dale Mabry Flying field in Florida, is now teaching in the same camp Bill has been sent to. Phil, and family are at present taking a short vacation at a rest camp in North Carolina. This is his first time off in over a year and a half, and he is enjoying fishing, swimming and hiking.

Ronald Joyal, youngest son, is still in the South Pacific and seems to still be in the front lines. He is in the N. S. Navy. In his last letter he said the weather was so bad it kept the mail planes from coming in but that it had its advantages as it also kept the Japs away. Ronald had sent negatives home to be printed. Mrs. Joyal states she could see Ronald's smile and thought there was at least one of "Chick" Thomas, too. Ronald had been so happy over having Thomas, Nevada City boy near him. Ronald is a boatswains mate, second class.

Fabian Joyal—

Fabian Joyal, an older son, has been transferred to Treasure Island where he is taking an advanced welding course.

Mrs. Joyal stated it had been grand to have Fabian and two other boys from Farragut, Idaho, to dinner, enjoying having the boys to feed once more. She had felt lost the past year with all her sons away from home. Her husband is now timber framing out at Hunter Point Navy Yard. Mrs. Joyal did war work for a while but had to give it up and will take up other work before long. She misses Nevada City and hopes they are all back here next year at this time.

Beverly Barry—

Friends in Nevada City have received a letter from Mrs. Barry who, with three younger members of her family and husband are now residing in Vallejo. Her husband is engaged in war work. Mrs. Barry writes her son, Bev Barry, is in the South Pacific and another son, Dudley is taking training in an army camp in Massachusetts.

Dick James—

Dick James, released from the army to enter mining, returned to Nevada City Tuesday from Kimberley, Nevada. He has gone to Copperopolis, Amador County, to work in the copper mine there.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jackson and son enjoyed a few days vacation with relatives in Sacramento returning home Saturday.

Mrs. Bill Congdon, employed in war work in the bay ship yards, was a recent visitor with her mother, Mrs. Al Williams and sisters early this week.

Mrs. Minnie Cooksie of Sacramento returned home the latter part of the week after a several day visit here with her sister, Mrs. Nance James. Upon her return home she was accompanied by Mrs. James, Mrs. Annie Godfrey and daughter, Mrs. Ruth Robinson.

George Cary spent Monday at his claims on Mt. Oro. He found everything in fine shape. The section of road in the Tahoe National Forest has been given a good going over for winter, with many special drains being placed to save washouts. The county supervisors have graveled a portion of the road also and it was in the best shape in many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilde spent Thursday in Sierra City visiting Mrs. Wilde's mother, Mrs. N. Wade.

Dr. and Mrs. Hal Draper of Chico spent the past week end in Nevada City. Dr. Draper is an instructor in the Chico State College.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bosworth of Richmond were attending to business interests in Nevada City during the past week end.

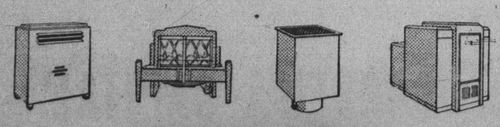
WINTER DANCE SERIES

Hague-Thomas-Hegarty Post of the American Legion opened its series of fall and winter dances Saturday night in the Veterans Memorial Building. Dancing began at 8:30 p. m. and continued until 1 p. m. thereby conforming to the military curfew rule. The Legion Auxiliary provided refreshments.



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FEDERAL SALES TAX FAVORED BY STATE CHAMBER

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—Views of the California State Chamber of Commerce on Federal taxation were placed before the House Ways and Means Committee yesterday in a brief filed by Sidney M. Ehrman, chairman of the Chamber's Statewide Tax Committee. The State chamber's recommendations were introduced into the hearings, now being conducted by the House Committee, in connection with the proposed new Federal Revenue Bill.

"There is abundant evidence", Ehrman said in the introduction to his report, "that congress realizes the necessity for providing additional tax revenues for the support of war expenditures, and that it likewise appreciates the necessity for doing whatever is possible to obviate uncontrolled inflation. Expressions from individual members, however, indicate a divergence of views as to how these problems should be solved. In the interests of providing a viewpoint representative of business opinion in the state of California, I am taking this means of transmitting to your committee a number of observations and recommendations dealing with this subject."

The recommendations placed before the committee were as follows:

1 Retention of individual and corporation income taxes at present levels until other sources of revenues have been exhausted, so that this segment of the tax base will not be thrown out of balance and thus interfere with the war effort of individuals and business generally.

2 Provision in the new tax bill to require economy in non-essential federal expenditures as a condition of new taxes so that taxpayers may be assured that their increased tax payments will be devoted exclusively to necessary war purposes.

3 Levy of a federal retail sales tax as a means of raising additional revenue and combatting inflation which is threatened by surplus buying power in the hands of the consumers.

4 Repeal of the capital stock tax and the declared value excess profits tax because they have outlived their original purpose, and needlessly duplicates the tax machinery of the regular income tax and the regular excess profits tax.

5 Elimination of the Victory tax by merging it into the regular individual income tax, as a means of simplifying the federal tax structure.

CORK OAKS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE GROVES

According to information recently received at Tahoe National Forest Headquarters from Woodbridge Metcalf, Extension Forester for the State of California, cork oak production in California will eventnally supply one-fifth of the nation's need, providing farmers and citizens living in the valley and foothill areas will take advantage of the free offer of young cork oak trees being made by the Department of Agriculture of the University of California Extension Service. The Crown Cork and Seal Company is cooperating with the University Extension Service and the California State Nursery in making these seedling cork oak trees available.

Cork oak is a vital necessity in civilian life and war production. Direct war use is for cartridge plugs, insulation, bomb parts and various parts of vehicles. Most of our cork supplies have been imported from Spain, Portugal and North Africa, states Forester Metcalf. War has seriously curtailed cork imports which has resulted in cork rationing since 1941. Officials of the Crown Cork and Seal Company, viewing needs of the future with Foresters, have made extensive nursery planting possible.

Application for these trees may be made to State Forest Rangers, Farm Advisors, or to officials of the U. S. Forest Service. This is an excellent opportunity, according to Supervisor Ellis of the Tahoe National Forest, for people with an area suitable for a few trees or a small grove of cork oak to plant for the future and reap a cash crop in 15 or 20 years, with succeessive harvests from the trees every 8 to 10 years.

BEQUEATHS TWO MINING CLAIMS

The will of the late George H. Nihell, was filed for probate yesterday by Attorney Lynne Kelly. The will bequeaths two mining claims on the slopes of Banner Mountain, southeast of Nevada City, to Mrs. Gladys Driver, named in the will as executrix. The value placed in the claims is $1,400.

PEARL HARBOR HELL RECOUNTED BY VICTOR POST

DOWNIEVILLE, Oct. 18. — Lt. Commander Victor W. Post is a son of Mrs. E. F. Post, teacher of the grade school of Sierra City. Post was on the U. S. cruiser Helena during his entire service in the navy which is 13 years. He and his ship were in Pearl Harbor when the Japs made their attack on December 7, 1941. He said it was hard to believe it was a real attack but the call came clear, "Man your stations; this is no practice." In three minutes every man was at his post. The Helena was reported to have fired the first shot within the harbor. She was damaged but did some real service. Victor saw the twin guns crew bring down one Jap plane as it came in to attack. The gunner was determined to make a hit. He swung one gun around and held it till he was sure.

On July 6 when the Kula Gulf battle began Commander Post, communications officer, was standing at his post on the bridge with the captain. They knew the Jap naval force was near and they were searching for it. About 2 o'clock in the morning the first torpedo struck. All men on the bridge were knocked to the deck and Post was unconscious. When he came to, the guns were firing at the enemy, and at a record breaking rate.

Victor says that the Helena is credited with having fired more rounds of ammunition than any other ship in U. S. history, probably a record for the world. In the short time the Helena was afloat she sank three Jap ships. He operated his station in inter-ship communication, till another torpedo struck the Helena.

Again they were knocked to the deck and his head was wedged between the superstructure and he was unable to move. He was wearing his heavy helmet and it saved his life. He got free only by unfastening the chin strap and pulling himself free. During this time the order was given to abandon the ship but he did not hear it.

He again went to the communications room and did what he could. In the darkness he had been overlooked and was alone. He heard men in the distance and knew they were getting on the life rafts. He slid down a rope into the water and began to swim as fast as he could so as to get away from the ship as fast as possible fearing that the suction would take him down with the ship. He felt nothing though but a hundred yards away. Only 20 minutes elapsed from the time the first torpedo hit till the Helena sank out of sight.

There was no panic. Everybody was perfectly cool, just as though having a ship go down under you is an everyday occurrence. The water was warm and there was no fire, that dread scourge of the ocean. He hung to a life lift four hours till daybreak then a destroyer picked them up. His severe injury came while he was in the water. If it had occurred first he never would have reached the raft. He had three fractured vetebraes and because of the injury and exposure in the water his legs were paralyzed. He was too busy to think of sharks but the explosion must have scared them away.

When asked what it felt like to be under fire, Post said, "most of the time you act automatically with out much reflecting. You have to make decisions in a split second and stick to them. You cannot make a decision and then think that something else would be better.

In actual battle things never happen just the way they do in practice. The ordinary time sense is lost when the ship is in actual engagement. Some of the hottest engagements last only a few minutes, but so much happens that it seems a lot longer."

Victor Post has two mementos, one the physician calls "a weathervane," For eight or ten years his back will be just that although he is awaiting orders to report for new duties. The other memento is the purple heart decoration of the United States navy.—Downieville Mountain Messenger.

ITLAIAN DINNER AT PARISH HOUSE

An Italian dinner was served in the new parish hall of St. Canice Church, for the benefit of the church last evening between the hours of 5 and 7 p. m.

Mrs. Silvio Augustini, who formerly conducted a restaurant business in San Francisco, had charge of the cuisine, assisted by a committee of Italian-American women.

WOMEN FACE BIG POST WAR JOB

By LEONE BAXTER

Changes due with peace aren't all in the realm of business and economics, public affairs and politics.

Industrialists are not the only figures facing a heavy responsibility for conversion of war functions to fit normal peace needs.

The biggest and weightiest conversion of all is one that must take place in homes throughout the land. And the obligation is mainly on the shoulders of women.

The home that continues to function much as it did before war struck is the exception these days and the exceptions are few. War's demands have disrupted all normal living and shattered much of family life.

Johnny is off at the front and his father is working the swing shift at the shipyard. Mom is in war work, too, leaving the babies at nursery school. Big sister is doing volunteer work unless she's old enough to be a Wave or Wac or Red Cross nurse. And far too many little Willies are waiting on the doorstep—or straying away from it—while the family does its bit in the war.

So gradually has the breaking up of family groups come upon us that few heard at once the snap of home ties or immediately felt the pull of the bonds. But a family whose every action in daily life is geared to war is not the same family as that which existed in peace time. It is—except by Providential grace and unprecedented parental guidance — a distorted arrangement of human beings whose very standards are changing along with everything else.

Juvenile delinquency figures, soaring unhappily, flank the increasing adult crime record to prove it.

And though broad attention is directed at the problem now, the main solution remains on the agenda of women—after the war. When peace comes, the obligation will be mainly that of women to put the homes of the nation back on a responsible working basis again.

Theirs will be the responsibility to rebuild the home. To pull family ties together again and weld them with understanding. To build a new framework for family routine, despite the gaps left by war's tragedies. To rebuild the strained family structure and regenerate at its own hearth the heartbeat of family life.

It is a big assignment this tack awaiting women. Big and difficult. As difficult as those that face industry or business or government and likewise challenge solution.

MAN POWER IS CHIEF TOPIC IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

By JAMES PRESTON

Manpower is still the chief muddle here with the to draft or not to draft father dilemma having been pretty well decided in favor of drafting. This does not end the story, however, since the problem still remains of properly dividing men between the battlefronts and the production lines.

One thing that seems probable, although debate is only a few days old, is that a compromise bill will be accepted that would virtually end occupational deferments for younger men regardless of dependency.

Caught in the middle of all this is industry which simultaneously was accused by Selective Service Director Hershey of hoarding labor and hit by the army's demands for greatly increased production schedules in the next six months. All this coupled with War Manpower Commission warnings that war industries must hold their present workers or lose their contracts to employers who can.

The administration's position still is not clear. Spokesmen intimate that they are weighing the temper of congress and closely watching the outcome of the experimental west coast labor priorities plan, hoping that if successful it might prove a workable pattern for the entire country.

And proponents of compulsory manpower legislation have adopted a watchful waiting attitude, ready to take advantage of any worsening of the situation.

The War Labor Board has outlined its general policy for incentive wage payments in its recent opinion in the Grumman Aircraft case. Incentive wage payments will not be approved which represent hidden wage increases or wage rate decreases "contrary to the stabilization program." Moreover, the board will consider only joint submission by a company and a union, that is, where the employees of a plant are represented by a union.

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